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Application No.: 10/825,517)	Group Art Unit: 3641
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Filed: April 15, 2004)	Examiner: to be assigned
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For: PISTOL WITH LOADED)	
CHAMBER INDICATOR)	
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.56 and 1.97(b), Applicants bring to the attention of the Examiner the documents listed on the attached PTO form 1449. These documents were cited in a European Search Report dated November 11, 2005, that was received from the European Patent Office in a counterpart application (copy attached hereto).

A legible copy and Concise Explanation of Relevance under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3)(i) of German reference DE 209101 is attached hereto. An English abstract is included with reference WO 03/046465 A1.

This Information Disclosure Statement is filed under 37 C.F.R. 1.97(b) before a first office action on the merits. Accordingly, no fee is believed to be due. In the alternative, should this filing be made after the mailing of a first action on the merits presently unknown to the Applicant at this time, this Statement is also filed under 37 C.F.R. 1.97(c). In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.97(c) and 1.97(e)(1), it is certified that each item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement. Accordingly, no fee is believed to be due on this alternative basis as well should it need to be relied upon. However, should any fees be required, please charge any such fee(s) that may be required in connection with the filing of this Statement to Morgan, Lewis & Bockius LLP Deposit Account No. 50-0310. A copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the listed document and evidence that consideration by making appropriate notations on attached form 1449.

This submission does not represent that a search has been made or that no better art exists and does not constitute an admission that each of the listed documents are material or constitute "Prior Art." If it should be determined that the listed documents do not constitute "Prior Art" under United States law, Applicants reserve the right to present to the Office the relevant facts and law regarding the appropriate status of such documents.

Applicants further reserve the right to take appropriate action to establish the patentability of the disclosed invention over the listed documents, should the documents be applied against the claims of the present application.

Respectfully submitted,

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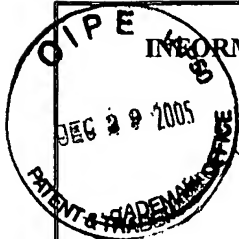
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CONCISE EXPLANATION OF RELEVANCE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3)(i)

German Ref. No.: DE 209101
Inventor: Wilhelm Kirsch
Date: April 22, 1909

Explanation:

As shown in Figures 1-3, the reference appears to disclose an invention related to a firing mechanism for a firearm including a firing pin (b) and movable spring-loaded pin (d) in a bore attached to an inscribed indicator sign (g) possibly related to the loaded or empty condition of the rifle.



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U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

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FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

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209101	Apr. 22, 1909	Germany	72			X
WO 03/046465	Jun. 5, 2003	International PCT	41			X

OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

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